

To Our Friends and Customers:

THIS SECTION of the State is now passing through their first experience of three crop failures in succession and it is inevitable that losses must be suffered by Farmers, Merchants, and Bankers.

The value of your Banking connection will be tested this year by the ability of your Bank to take care of your needs, considering the short crops raised this year, and we take this method of assuring each and every customer of this Bank that they will receive the same consideration in the future as they have in the past.

We call your special attention to the condition of this Bank published below and to the fact that, although we have made a short crop, our loans were so well placed that OUR BANK DOES NOT OWE ONE DOLLAR; AND ON THE STRENGTH OF OUR INSTITUTION AS SHOWN BY THIS STATEMENT, WE SOLICIT A CONTINUANCE OF YOUR BUSINESS.

If you are a borrowing customer of this Bank, you are assured of ample accommodations from us.

IF YOU HAVE MONEY TO DEPOSIT, WOULD IT NOT PAY YOU TO DEPOSIT YOUR MONEY IN THIS STRONG, WELL MANAGED BANK THAT WILL NOT ONLY WELCOME YOUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, BUT WHEN YOU NEED MONEY, IS STRONG ENOUGH AND WILLING TO LEND YOU MONEY ON AMPLE SECURITY?

We Offer Our Depositors the Following Security For Their Money:

Capital Paid In	\$ 200,000.00
Surplus and Profits	82,000.00
Share-Holders Liabilities	200,000.00
	\$482,000.00

In our Savings Department, we pay 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly on all savings accounts.

Accounts by mail are given special attention by one of the Officers of this Bank.

We would be pleased to hear from you by mail, or have you call in the Bank to see us.

STATEMENT

November 15th, 1928

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$892,259.92	Capital Stock	\$200,000.00
Overdrafts (On Cotton)	15,580.18	Surplus and Undivided Profits	82,980.28
United States and State of Alabama Bonds	215,812.50	Circulation	200,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta	7,500.00	Rediscounts	None
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	18,038.77	Money Borrowed	None
Real Estate Owned, other than Banking House	7,552.04	DEPOSITS	824,314.20
CASH	150,551.07		
Total	\$1,307,294.48	Total	\$1,307,294.48

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CHAS. W. MIZELL, President,

R. B. McDAVID, Vice-President

W. B. BENTON, Cashier

G. C. PIERCE, Vice-President

R. C. WOODHAM, Ass't Cashier

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J. W. LEWIS DIED AT HIS HOME IN ELBA LAST FRIDAY

Prominent Elba Citizen Succumbs Friday Morning After Few Weeks' Illness. Life-long Co. Resident

Hundreds of citizens of Elba and surrounding territory were shocked to learn of the death of Mr. J. W. Lewis, which occurred at an early hour last Friday morning. Mr. Lewis had been ill for nearly four weeks, but until a few days before his death his condition was not considered as serious. About a month ago he was confined to his bed with a slight attack of influenza or fever. It was thought, but when he failed to rally, it was deemed best to send him to a hospital at Dothan. On Thursday, November 15, he was carried to that place, but messages from there Sunday stated that he could no longer be helped at that institution, so he was brought home on Monday.

Despite the ail of several physicians he finally became weaker. Last Friday morning at 2:30 he breathed his last.

"Doc" Lewis, as he was known by friends, was born and reared near Elba, in the Elba Springs community. Nearly ten years ago he moved his family to Elba, where he purchased the building now known as the Lewis Hotel. Besides the hotel, he owned and operated a sawmill, nine miles north of Elba, and a plantation.

He came of a family long prominent in South Alabama and was at last closely with the prominent Williams and Wilks families.

Surviving him are: His mother, Mrs. J. A. Lewis, of Samson; his wife and two sons, J. J. and Horace; two brothers, A. L. Lewis, of Coffee Springs, and Dr. B. L. Lewis, of Elba; one sister, Mrs. Lena Williams, of Samson. An only son, Dr. N. W. Lewis, died several years ago. Joseph W. Lewis was born July 10, 1876, being 52 years of age at the time of his death.

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THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1928

"MAIL EARLY" IS
POSTMASTER'S CRY

The usual Christmas rush is drawing near, and postmasters throughout the United States are making a special effort to impress upon the public the importance of mailing Christmas parcels earlier than ever before this year, to insure prompt delivery of gifts. Following are a few rules that have been issued by the Postmaster General:

Wrapping and Packing. All parcels must be securely wrapped and packed. Use strong paper and heavy tines.

Fragile Objects. Articles easily broken or crushed must be crated or securely wrapped. Use liberal quantities of cushioning material, in and around and between the articles and the outside container.

Ordinary boxes of cigars wrapped in paper will not be accepted. Cigars must be packed so as to prevent the escape of particles or pieces if broken in transit.

Perishable Matter. Articles liable to spoil within the first half hour after delivery for transportation and delivery will not be accepted. Perishable matter, such as food, must be packed so as to prevent its becoming rancid or spoiled.

Addresses. Address labels should be complete, with house number and name of street, postoffice box or rural route number, and type clearly written in ink. A return card should be placed in the upper left corner of every piece of mail. If a tag is used, the address and return card should also be written on the wrapper for use if tag is lost, and a copy of the address should be placed inside the parcel.

Postage. Postage must be fully prepaid on all mail. A fix the required amount of postage in the upper right corner. Full information concerning postage rates can be obtained at the postoffice or stamp window.

Limit of Weight and Size. No parcel may be more than 84 inches in length and girth combined. For delivery locally and in the first, second and third zone 70 pounds is the maximum weight; in all other zones, 50 pounds.

Further information may be secured from the local postmaster.

Louise Morgan Wins
In "Who's Who" Contest

Miss Louise Morgan, who is attending school at Livingston, N. S., was the winner of the "Who's Who" contest, which was held at the Elba Springs community. She was the only girl to win the contest.

Home Improvement was selected as our year's project. We girls hope to have a successful year.

Second Prize To Be Given
In Recent Baby Contest

At the regular meeting of the Elba Springs community, it was decided to give a second prize to the winner of the baby contest, which was held at the Elba Springs community. The prize was given to the winner of the contest.

Cotton Ginned in Coffee
And Nearby Counties

Despite crops of short crops all over this section, statistics from the Department of Commerce at Washington would seem to dispel that condition. Following are the ginning records in this and surrounding counties prior to November 14:

County	1928	1927
Coffee	11,467	16,414
Crenshaw	11,661	17,519
Covington	20,463	21,069
Geneva	19,477	19,033
Houston	29,458	29,851
Pike	15,103	23,085

It will be seen that within the six counties listed the ginnings of 1928 are 16,375 bales short of the 1927 figures. Geneva and Houston counties are the two that go over last year's figures, while Covington is almost the same as last year. Pike has the shortest crop, while Coffee and Crenshaw are each approximately five thousand bales short this year.

By valiant work with buckets and with the help of a chemical engineer, the city of Opp has been able to keep the town as completely as the conflagration some years ago, when the entire business section was destroyed.

The origin of the fire is not known. The fire was caused by a chemical engineer, who was working on a picture show at the time. The fire was caused by a chemical engineer, who was working on a picture show at the time.

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TROY HIGH WAS TIGER'S VICTIM HERE LAST WEEK

Pike Counties Unable To Score In Grappling Contest, and Were Beaten 6 to 0. Casualties Were Many

While making many valiant attempts, and ever threatening the local team, Troy High was unable to cross the tiger's goal line. The home team, which was coached by Mr. J. H. Smith, was victorious in the contest.

Both sides were out for blood Friday and nearly every scrimmage found its way to the tiger's goal line. The home team, which was coached by Mr. J. H. Smith, was victorious in the contest.

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THANKSGIVING

By the mercy and goodness of God our lives have been spared and sustained through another year. We have encountered difficulties along the way, but we have had our trials and disappointments; we have had our sorrows, but with these have come to us the manifold blessings of life.

Our farmers have not this year made a bountiful harvest of crops, but they have many things to be truly thankful for in the provisions made for their material prosperity. Spiritual blessings are paramount to material considerations, and the Lord has abundantly blessed and sustained our people in things spiritual. Surely goodness and mercy have been our portion, and we can enter into His state with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise. We are thankful unto Him, and we bless His name.

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CIRCUIT COURT WILL CONVEENE IN ELBA DECEMBER 3

Docket Free of Murder Cases For First Time In Many Years. Grand Jury Also In Session

Circuit Judge W. L. Parks will hold court in Elba commencing Monday, December 3, and continuing until December 11.

There are 241 cases on the docket, which in itself approaches a record, but for the first time in many years there are no murder cases. Forty-two felonies are on the list, and 192 misdemeanors.

The grand jury will be in session Monday also, but it will only dispose of the criminal cases.

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